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あなたが咲き誇る春!

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凛華と鈴に別れの時が迫る……!?

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明治緋色綺譚

生徒諸君!
庄司陽子

6月に福井県で開催♪
ちはやふるweek in あわら
声優陣からメッセージが!

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「ひまわり!!」
愛本みずほ
「SUPERG」
深見じゅん
「たそがれたかこ」
入江喜和
「おんなのいえ」
鳥飼茜
「ケモノみち」
山浦サク
「あさめしまえ」
北 駒生
「妊娠17カ月!」
坂井恵理
「仕職系女子」
竹内七生
「赤ちゃんのホスト」
丘上あい
「あとかたの街」
おざわゆき
「ガール・ミーツ・オールドボーイ」
如月 瞳
「ハロー姉妹」
南国ばなな
「ふくふくふにゃ~た」
こなみかなた

豪華プレゼントが当たる!
表紙総選挙(コミックス)実施中!!
あなたの一押し表紙に投票を♪

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Poem 129

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Yuki Suetsugu

HARADA, DAN 6, HAS BEEN FIERCELY ATTACKING FROM THE START OF THIS GAME,

I'M TAKING IT FROM YOU,

GAINING THE FEARSOME MOMENTUM!

THE MEIJIN TITLE.

HARADA-SENSEI.

HARADA-SENSEI.

THE WEAKNESS OF MEIJIN SUOU IS PROBABLY...

...THE EYES.

PREFEC-TURE NAGASAKI

OOMURA CITY

I'M BACK!

Cousin Tadashii 29 yrs old

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AUNTIE YUKIKO, I'M BACK ...?

WELL, WHAT A BUMMER!

BUT I FINALLY FIGURED HOW YOU WATCH NICO DOUGA!

WHILE I WAS LOOKING FOR UNCLE IMAMICHI, I GOT CAUGHT AND DRAGGED TO THE LOCAL FIRE BRIGADE GATHERING.

TADASHI!

SOMEHOW, THERE'S STILL NO BROADCAST ON BS, YOU KNOW!

SO I'M CHECKING IF MAYBE SOME CORD IS NOT PLUGGED IN PROPERLY...

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グラ

UH...

HUH?!

HERE, SEE?

THUD

HERE, LOOK AT THIS.

IT'S JUST THAT THIS TIME YOU CAN ONLY WATCH IT VIA A COMPUTER.

THEY'RE SHOWING HISASHI.

EH?

THEN THEY JUST DON'T HOLD HISASHI'S MEIJIN MATCH THIS YEAR AT ALL?

BS IS A SATELLITE CHANNEL, RIGHT?

SO I THOUGHT MAYBE THEIR SATELLITE FELL TODAY OR YESTERDAY?

THEY DO!!!

AS IF IT'D FALL!!!

ON THE SCREEN:
MEIJIN IS BEING PUSHED OVER
HARADA-SAN'S VIGOR IS SCARE
I'M TREMBLING HERE, FOR REALS
GOOD LUCK, MEIJIN

名人押されてる
原田さんの勢いこわ
マジビビル
名人頑張れ
何言えてるかわかったら面白いのに

I HEARD THAT MEIJIN SUOU...

I ALSO HAVE DANGO!

ANTIE, YOU SOUND LIKE YOU'RE MAKING AN OFFERING...

It won't get through the computer though...

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HERE, HISASHI, OHAGI FOR YOU!

AND DAIFUKU, TOO!

T/N: OHAGI - RICE BALLS IN SWEET BEAN COATING
DAIFUKU - RICE CAKE STUFFED WITH BEAN JAM

EHHH?

THERE IS HARDLY ANYONE WHO WOULD GO AS FAR AS TO ASK THIS.

HER READING OF THE 100 POEMS?

...VISITED YOUR HOME PRIVATELY, YAMASHIRO-SAN.

WHAT WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

INDEED, HE DID. IT WAS BEFORE HE BECAME THE MEIJIN.

HE ASKED ME TO ALLOW HIM TO RECORD MY READING...

PLEASE ALLOW ME

TO RECORD MY

YOUR READING.

BUT DESPITE THAT SEEMING ENTHUSIASM, I DIDN'T SEE HIS MOTIVE,

NOR DID IT FEEL LIKE HE LOVED KARUTA.

SO I TRIED ASKING HIM DIRECTLY.

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WHY DO YOU PLAY KARUTA?

AH, I'M SORRY!

I ENDED UP EATING EVERYTHING.

IT'S FINE...

Such appetite is endearing.

EMPTY

SO, WHY DO YOU PLAY KARUTA?

"I JUST THOUGHT THAT MAYBE I CAN MAKE SOMETHING OF MYSELF IN KARUTA"...
WHAT HE ANSWERED WAS...

20 YEARS AGO
I WAS TAKEN AWAY FROM LIKELY GOOD-FOR-NOTHING PARENTS
TO THE HEAD HOUSE
THAT WAS SPRAWLING AROUND LIKE A HOLLOW VOID.
.....
WANT TORAMAKI?
OR MUSHI PAN?
WE ALSO HAVE CASTELLA.

THE HEAD HOUSE, OVERCROWDED WITH AUNTS, UNCLES AND COUSINS,
WAS LIVELY AND NOISY.
KEIKO, YOU MIXED IN TOO MUCH!
PRECURE EXPECTO PATRONUM!!!
I WILL PROTECT THE WORLD!
TADASHI NII-CHAN, YOU'RE HOGGING IT FOR TOO LONG! GIVE IT BACK!
I LET YOU READ MY MANGA, DIDN'T I!
HISASHI, LET'S PLAY THE OTHELLO GAME!
COME PICK BLUEBERRY!
AND THEN...!
AND THEN...!
AAAA
BUT...
AAAAAAA
...YUKIKO-CHAN...
HISASHI, YOU ANSWERED MY CALL?

YUKIKO-CHAN, YOU ALREADY WORK PART-TIME AT A WAGASHI FACTORY,
ISN'T IT TOO HARD FOR YOU TO ALSO HELP OUT WITH THE GARDEN?
I HAVE TO WORK.
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS NO CHILDREN, NOT TO MENTION I MOVED BACK HERE AFTER A DIVORCE.
I'LL GIVE SOMETHING TO YOU, HISASHI.
THE BIGGEST ONE I PICKED TODAY.
...SOMEHOW...
DON'T READ IN DIM PLACES!
HISASHI, YOU'RE HOLDING THE BOOK TOO CLOSE TO THE EYES!
BRUSH YOUR TEETH THOROUGHLY.
DO IT FOR 3 MINUTES.
...EVEN INSIDE THIS BIG HOUSE...
WOW! FIRE-CRACKERS!
WOW! AWESOME!
LET'S GO!
BU BU BU BU BU
DAM DAM DAM DAM DAM DAM DA
DAM DAM DAM DAM DAM DAM DAM
BU BU BU BU

BU BU BU BU BU
DAM DAM DAM DAM
BU BU BU BU BU
DAM DAM DAM DAM
OBON CELEBRATION HERE IS NOISY.
IT'S BAD FOR YOUR HEARING.
BE CAREFUL.
WHO WAS MY
FAMILY
COSH, TADASHI!
WAS GETTING NARROWER
LOSE HER EYESIGHT
I WON THIS IN A LOTTERY! AWESOME, RIGHT?
SORRY, I'M SORRY!

WAS
The card being read
OOPS!
!!

SUOU-SAN MISSED A FEW CARDS IN THE GAME AGAINST ME,
HARADA COMES OUT EMPTY-HANDED QUITE A LOT
WHAT THE HELL
SHC
STACKS
PROBABLY BECAUSE OF LACK OF HARD WORK.
AND HE'S WORSE THAN ME IN COVERING UP FOR THE M.
I WON'T LOSE.

AMA-ZING
HARADA-SENSEI KEEPS COMING AT ME
SO FIER-CELY
THAT'S HOW MUCH HE WANTS IT
Gho
"HARADA" SENSEI IS GOOD.
I FEEL PUMPED UP WATCHING HIM."
THAT'S HOW MUCH HE WANTS
...TO BECOME THE MEIJIN...
HARADA, DAN 6, KEEPS LEADING IN THE MIDDLE STAGE OF THE GAME, TOO!
ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE 8 CARD DIFFERENCE!
12-20,

IN MY SCHOOL DAYS
I WAS ALLOWED TO TRY ALL KINDS OF HOBBIES AND ACTIVITIES.
AND IN ALL OF THEM I WAS SKILLED BUT NOTHING HELD MY INTEREST FOR LONG
Swimming (same reason)
Admiring a senpai from the tennis club, I played tennis for a year
Admiring a senpai who played piano, I was learning to play piano for a year
Table tennis (same reason)
I MANAGED TO ACCOMPLISH MYSELF IN STUDIES TOUGH
HISASHI ...
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE YOU MANAGED TO ENTER TOUDAI.
IT'D BE NICE IF YOU GOT POPULAR AT LEAST A LITTLE.
HISASHI.
CHOOSE WHATEVER AREA YOU WANT...
DON'T EAT TOO MUCH SWEETS.
...BUT
MAKE
SOMETHING OF YOURSELF...

PROTECT YOUR EARS AGAINST LOUD SOUNDS
Bride ... ♡
I LIKE "AI MIRE NO" THE BEST!
IT'S A POEM ABOUT LOVE... ♡
He made Class A in a year!
That guy not bad, huh
IN NO TIME
Excuse me,
新入生
DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE POEM?
I WAS WONDERING IF YOU'D BE INTERESTED IN HYAKUNIN ISSHU?
かるた部
競技かるたをご存知ですか?

T/N: W UNIVERSITY = WASEDA UNIVERSITY

I KNOW ABOUT IT.

MY AUNT HAS THE SAME ILLNESS.

THIS ILLNESS IS CONSIDERED TO BE IT HALF HEREDITARY.

YOU NEED TO AVOID BRIGHT LIGHT AND WEAR SUNGLASSES WHEN OUTSIDE ...

IT'S A DISEASE CAUSING THE PHOTORECEPTOR CELLS TO AGE AT AN ACCELERATED RATE BEYOND YOUR YEARS.

THE FIELD OF VISION NARROWS STARTING FROM THE PERIPHERY TOWARDS THE CENTER.

IT PROGRESSES SLOWLY BUT SURELY.

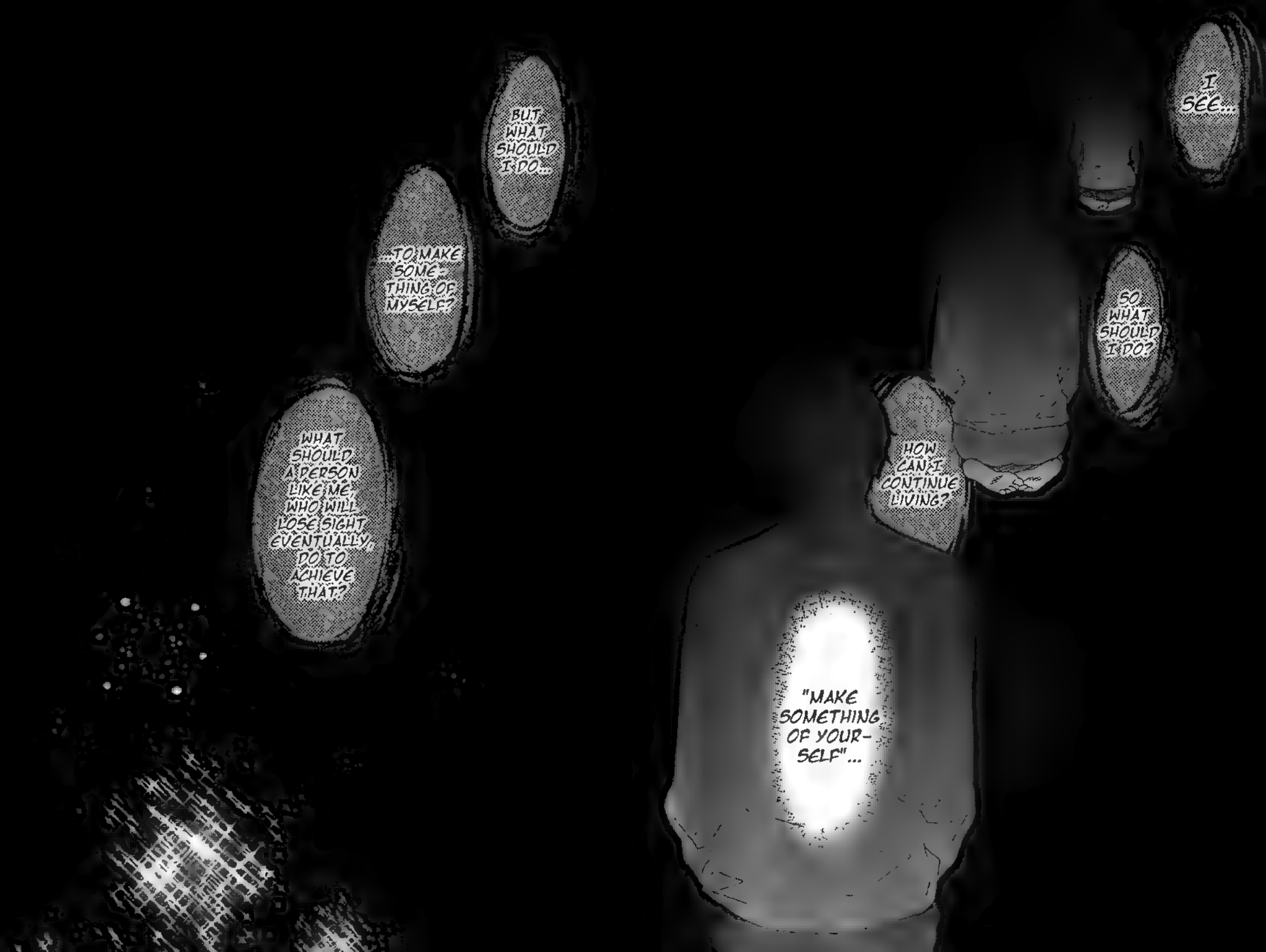
SOMETIMES RESULTING IN COMPLETE BLINDNESS.

SENPAI, THAT POEM...

WHEN I GOT TO KNOW IT,

IT BECAME THE SOURCE OF SO MUCH LIGHT...

...AND SO MUCH DARKNESS TO ME.


BUT, WHAT SHOULD I DO...
...TO MAKE SOME-THING OF MYSELF?
WHAT SHOULD A PERSON LIKE ME, WHO WILL LOSE SIGHT EVENTUALLY, DO TO ACHIEVE THAT?
"MAKE SOMETHING OF YOUR-SELF"...
HOW CAN I CONTINUE LIVING?
SO, WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I SEE...

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名人位 小倉名人 まかる
クイーン位決定

Se-

THE LOWER RIGHT ROW OF THE ENEMY FORMATION HARADA-SENSEI HAS BEEN TARGETING ALL THE TIME...
THAT WAS TOO DAMN FAST! HE HAD TAKEN IT BEFORE THE READER EVEN UTTERED ANYTHING!
FLYING MODE?!
BUT THAT CARD
THE MEIJIN SWEPT IT
BECAUSE HE HAD ALREADY KNOWN FOR SURE IT WAS THE ONE ABOUT TO BE READ
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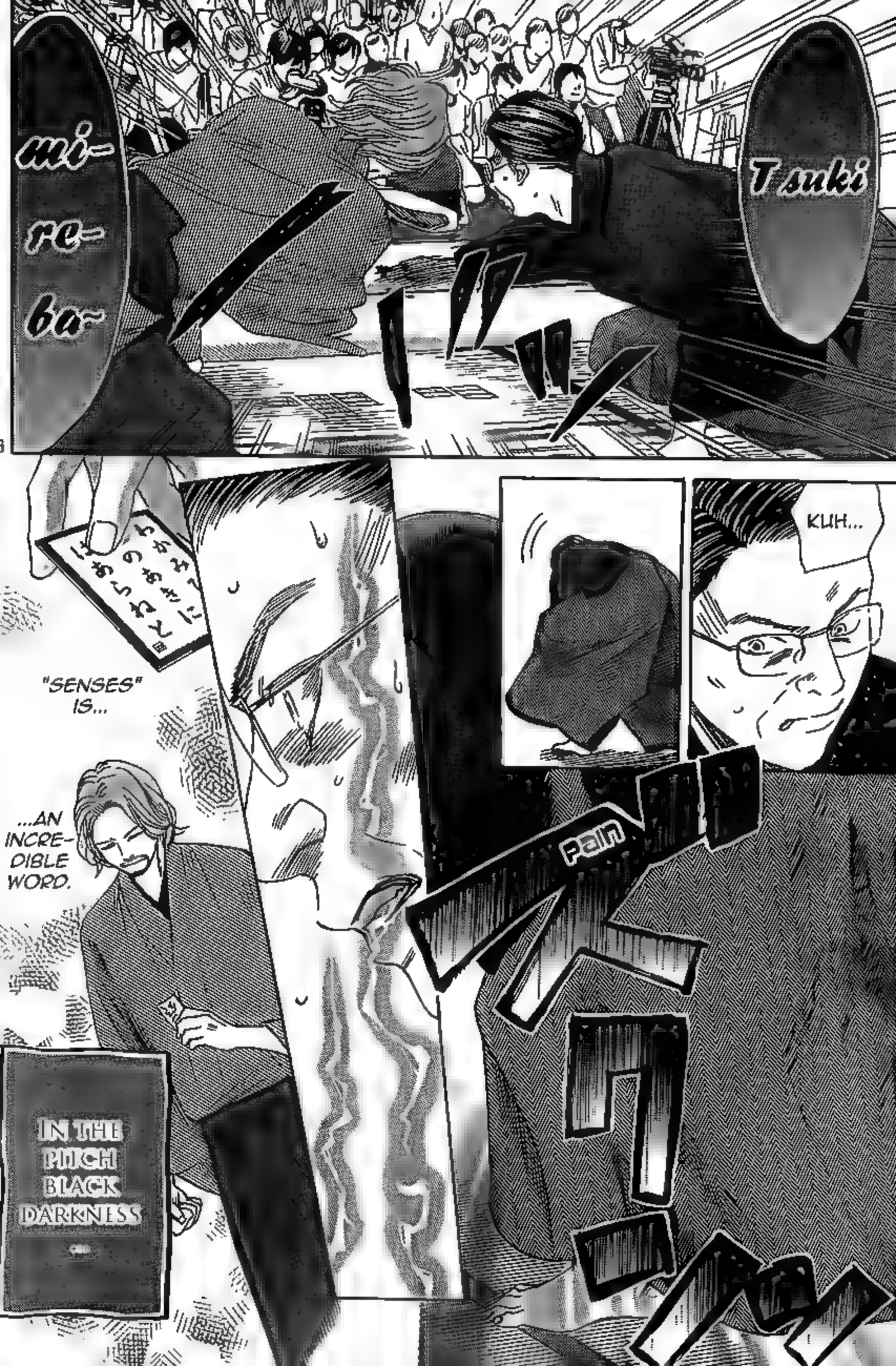
THE EXHALA-TION...
...BEFORE THE SOUND WAS EVEN BORN...

WHAT IS DIFFERENT COMPARED TO THE FIRST HALF OF THE GAME?
MEIJIN SUOU HAS STARTED RECOVERING HIS LOSSES.
Taki no oto wa~
WHEN THE NUMBER OF THE CARDS ON THE FIELD DWINDLES, THE DECISIVE SYLLABLE SHORTEN.
UGH.
AHH.
TAKING THE LONG MULTISYLLABLE CARDS REQUIRES TECHNIQUE,
BUT WHAT IS PREVAILING IN THE LATER HALF OF THE MATCH IS THE SHORT SYLLABLE CARDS,
WHICH IS ADVANTAGEOUS TO MEIJIN SUOU.
I KNOW THAT.
THAT'S WHY I WENT ALL OUT IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE MATCH
LIKE I'LL LET YOU CATCH UP TO ME!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Tsuki
"SENSES" IS...
...AN INCRE-DIBLE WORD.
IN THE PITCH BLACK DARKNESS
KUH...
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IT FELT AS IF EACH OF THEM
TOOK ON A DIFFERENT GLOW.
HAD STARTED TO SHINE.
第〇期クイーン戦
名人位クイーン位決定戦
THE WORLD WHERE SOUNDS WERE THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR WAS COMPLETELY KARUTA
IN THIS WORLD I'LL MAKE SOMETHING OF MYSELF.
HERE.
IN THIS WORLD I'LL BECOME THE BEST.

BUT...
NOOO!
YOU'RE TOO STRONG, SO NO!
I DON'T WANT TO PLAY AGAINST YOU!
BESIDES, EVEN IF YOU PLAY AGAINST THE LIKES OF US, YOU'LL JUST GET BORED, MEIJIN.
BORING
I'LL TRY TO WIN BY TAKING ONLY 17 CARDS TODAY.
SO BORING
AND I'LL USE FEINTS TO MAKE MY OPPONENT COMMIT 4 FAULTS.
THEN...
LET'S TRY A DIFFERENT APPROACH:
WINNING BY TAKING NOT 25 CARDS BUT ONLY 20.
Dyed his hair brown
YEAH.
HE SAID "YEAH"!
WA HA HA
DOESN'T PULL BACK HIS PUNCHES, HUH!
IT'S NOT LIKE I LOVE KARUTA.
I'M JUST A HOLLOW VOID.

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GUH ...
THE GAP IS CLOSING.
WHAT A BEWIELDING SPEED!
3 TAKES IN A ROW AND NOW A 4TH ONE AFTER A DEAD CARD!
THE GAME IS GOING IN MEIJIN SUOU'S PACE!
HA-HA-HA
TO GO ON...

...SOME-
ONE'S
PASSION
...THE
VOID
HAS TO
DEVOUR
A-
fuku-
rashi
!

AGAIN...!
GOOD DEFENSE!
HE GUARDED IT!
OVERWHELM ME, DON'T YOU?
YOU THINK YOU CAN...
...IS EVERYTHING, DON'T YOU?
SPEED AND EXTRA-ORDINARY HEARING
YOU THINK

KARUTA IS CRYING.
WITH YOU AS THE MEIJIN,
I WON'T BACK DOWN.
I'LL BE THE ONE
TO DELIVER
THE REQUIEM FOR YOU.
TBC in the next issue

今号の巻末に「ちはやふるweek in あわら」にご出演される富野真守さん、瀬戸麻沙美さん、福谷佳正さんからのメッセージが♪ こちらもご注目くださいね!

記録

MEIJIN 10,
HARADA 9.

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DOES HARADA HAVE ENOUGH ENERGY STILL LEFT?

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THE MEIJIN'S INTENSE GAINING ON HARADA

HAS LEFT THEM WITH THE PRACTICALLY EQUAL CHANCES.

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Mo-

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Shira-

tsuyu

SO THIS IS HOW THE MEIJIN PLAYS WHEN HE'S SERIOUS.

RELENT-LESS

NOW THAT THEY AVAILABLE COULD BECAME ONE AVAILABLE MIGHTA BEING

CAN'T EVEN HOPE TO TAKE THEM.

"AFTER TAKING MY FIFTH CONSEQUITIVE TITLE, I'LL RETIRE."

HARADA-SENSEI.

HARADA-SENSEI.

THE MEIJIN TOOK THE LEAD FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE FOURTH MATCH!

WILL HE BE ABLE TO CAPITALIZE ON IT?

ALL YOU DO IS SOLIDY YOUR FORMATION WITH THE CARDS THA ARE THE EASIEST TO YOU.

THAT'S WHY...

TO ME,

YOUR KARUTA IS SIMPLISTIC.

A LOW COVER!

A GOOD ONE AT THAT

NOTHING SPECIAL, THOUGH.

roate ni~

Koko~

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riake no tsuki to~ Miru made ni~

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.EVEN FOR ME, A PRACTI-CIONER OF OFFENSIVE KARUTA,

DEFEND-ING AGAINST YOU IS EASY

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IT'S PRECISELY BECAUSE THE GAME SITUATION IS SO DIFFICULT!!!

Fuh

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...THAT HE'S SO CAREFUL WITH HIS BASICS.

JUST LIKE USUAL!

HE WENT TO ATTACK, GOT BACK AND COVERED THE CARD!

カシャン

TAKE THAT CARD LIKE THIS.

MEMORIZE VERY CARE-FULLY.

DOUBLE CHECK EVERYTHING FOR AS LONG AS THE TIME ALLOWS.

KEEP CLOSE TRACK OF THE CHANGING DECISIVE SYLLABLES.

IF THAT CARD IS READ, GET TO IT LIKE THIS.

AND...

...KEEP CHANT-ING END-LESS-LY:

"READ MY CARD!"

AHH,

SO CLOSE!

BUT HE NARROWLY LOST IT TO THE MEIJIN.

IT WOULD'VE BEEN AWESOME IF HE'D TAKEN THIS ONE JUST NOW.

THAT WAS CLOSE! BUT IT'S THE MEIJIN'S TAKE IN THE END.

HARADA-SENSEI IS AMAZING.

IT'S THE FOURTH MATCH, AND YET...

...HE STILL HAS SO MUCH SPIRIT AND STAMINA...

.....

DID YOU NOTICE, SUOU-KUN?

Mise-

AND...

YOU'RE USING SWEEPS NOT TAPS TO TAKE CARDS.

YOU'VE STOPPED PAYING ATTENTION TO THE QUEEN MATCH.

YOU ARE NOW PRIORITIZING TAKING ALL THE CARDS YOU CAN

INSTEAD OF RELYING ON FEINTS.

THE MEIJIN MISSES,

OOPS!

AND HARADA GETS TO THE CARD, PICKING IT UP WITHOUT A MOMENT'S DELAY!

IT'S THE FIRST TIME YOU HAVE TO PLAY A FOURTH MATCH IN THE MEIJIN SERIES.

IT'S BOUND TO BE TAKING A HEAVIER TOLL ON YOU THAN IT IS ON ME.

THE MEIJIN IS START-ING

TO TIRE OUT

I PLAYED 5-6 MATCHES IN EVERY TOURNAMENT.

FOR THE SHIRANAMI SOCIETY TO HAVE A BETTER CHANCE AT GETTING POINTS,

I PLAYED CONSEQUITIVE MATCHES FOR AS LONG AS I COULD KEEP WINNING.

NOT THAT IT'S A WALK IN THE PARK FOR ME EITHER THOUGH.

EARNING POINTS FOR A KARUTA SOCIETY THROUGH WINNING IN CLASS A TOURNAMENTS GIVES SOCIETIES WITH MOST NUMBER OF POINTS THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SOCIETY MATCHES HELD IN FEBRUARY.

SO NORMALLY IT IS A CARD YOU WOULD WANT TO GUARD AND KEEP CLOSE AT HAND, BUT...

'NANIWA GA' HAS NOT BEEN READ YET,

AND 'NANI SHI' IS STILL ON THE PLAYING FIELD,

みをつくしてやこひわたるべき

I ADVICE TO BE WARY OF THE CARDS THAT HARADA-SENSEI SENDS TO THE OPPONENT IN THE ENDSTAGE OF A MATCH.

HARADA, DAN 6,

IS SENDING THE 'NANIWAE' CARD TO THE MEIJIN.

WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF LUCK: O THE DRAW- -LOOKING MORE REAL BY THE SECOND.

.....

IT IS LIKELY THAT THIS IS A CARD THAT "WILL NOT BE READ".

A CARD THAT HE WOULD NEVER SEND ME NORMALLY...

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...IS JUST NOISE, ISN'T IT?

SUOU-KUN.

TO YOU, THAT EXTRA CARD I SWEPT...

HE CLEANLY SWEPT THE TWO ONE-SYLLABLE CARDS, 'OOKO' AND 'OGU'.

CROSS-SWEEP!

HUH?

I WANT TO FOCUS.

I WANT TO FOCUS.

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MEMORY...

ズキン

GOTTA CHECK MY MEMORY ONCE AGAIN...

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FOCUS...

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WHA...

F-FLOOR PILLOW ?!

ACTING AS IF

NOTHING HAPPENED

I'LL BECOME THE MEIJIN FIRST!

IT'S TOTALLY GONNA BE ME FIRST, YA MORON!

I'M STRONGER THAN YOU!

BULLSHIT! IT'LL BE ME, NO MATTER HOW YOU SLICE IT!

I SAID ME!

OH YEAH? I'M THE STRONGER ONE!

ME!

ME!

NO, ME!

IT WILL BE ME!

YOU.

ON THE SCREEN
FLOOR PILLOW?
A FLOOR PILLOW
CAME FLYING WW
A PRESENT FROM
A FAN W
I'D TAKE IT
WHO THE HELL
IS HE?
IS THIS OK?

AH!

LOOKS LIKE THE QUEEN MATCH IS ALSO IN ITS FINAL STAGE.

ERM,

UMMM ...

!!

GHO

GHO

ARATA?

EH?

BUT I'LL BE BORROW-ING YOUR TABLET.

UNCLE, I'M SORRY,

QUEEN WAKAMIYA HAS TWO CARDS LEFT,

WHILE CHALLENGER INOKUMA FIVE.

IN THE MIDSTAGE THE QUEEN LAUNCHED A BARRAGE OF ATTACKS AND TOOK THE LEAD, MAINTAINING IT INTO THE ENDSTAGE OF THE MATCH.

AT SOME POINT IN THE MIDSTAGE,

ONE OF THE CARDS MUST HAVE CALLED OUT TO HER, SAYING:

"COME HERE FOR ME, TOO..."

IF I THINK UNDER THE ASSUMPTION...

A LOT OF THINGS START ADDING UP...

...THAT WAKAMIYA-SAN REALLY TREATS THE PICTURE CARDS AS HER FRIENDS WHEN PLAYING

I LOVE THIS MARRIED WOMAN AS WELL, YOU KNOW!

THERE IS NO TELLING WHO WILL WIN THIS MATCH TILL THE VERY END!

BUT...

INOKUMA-SAN DOESN'T LET HER CONCENTRATION WAVER.

SHE'S PREVENTING THE QUEEN FROM FINISHING HER COMEBACK.

THAT'S INOKUMA-SAN FOR YOU.

THE CARDS...

...LOVE HER AS WELL.

THEY'RE HESITAT-ING.

WHAT TO DO?

THEY CAN BE FICKLE AFTER ALL.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

AH, WHAT A DILEMMA.

FEEL SO LIGHT

AND MY SHOUL-DERS

I KNOW I SHOULDN'T BUT THIS IS SO MUCH FUN.

SO DIFFERENT FROM THE SECOND MATCH

THEY WON'T ALWAYS STICK TO MY SIDE

SO I SHOULDN'T LET IT COME DOWN TO ANOTHER LUCK OF THE DRAW

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FOR THE QUEEN!

HERE!

RIGHT NOW

I WANT TO BE AT MY STRONG-EST.

IT'S HERE

...THE QUEEN TITLE.

IT'S HERE

I JUST NEED TO REACH OUT MY HAND

I WANT TO BECOME THE QUEEN

AHH...

EH?!

THANK YOU FOR THE GAME.

THE MATCH ENDS WITH A DOUBLE FAULT!

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IN THE VERY END, CHALLENGER INOKUMA MAKES A PAINFUL MISTAKE!

WAS ESPECIALLY MARVELOUS.

I HAVE TO ADMIT WAKAYAMI-SAN'S LAST TAKE

IT WAS A CLOSE BATTLE WITH EQUAL CHANCES FOR BOTH OPPONENTS, BUT...

WHAT AN UNEXPECTED TURN OF EVENTS, IS IT NOT, YAMASHIRO-SAN?

0-4.

INDEED.

A DOUBLE FAULT, AT THIS TIME...

SHE IS LEFT-HANDED, SO TO HER, THAT CARD WAS THE FARTHEST AWAY FROM HER,

THE QUEEN TITLE GOES TO

WAKAMIYA-SAN YET AGAIN...!

YET SHE WENT FOR IT IN A BEAUTIFUL PERFECTLY STRAIGHT LINE...!

ENOKUMA-SAN.

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...THE CARDS.

PLEASE COUNT...

THEY ALL.

ARE THE CHILDREN YOU TOOK WITH LOVE

SHINOBU-CHAN...

WITH QUEEN WAKAMIYA WINNING HER THIRD CONSEQUITIVE TITLE,

THE QUEEN TITLE MATCH SERIES IS NOW OVER.

BUT THE MATCH FOR THE MEIJIN TITLE IS STILL ONGOING--

EH?! WHAT?!

A TUNNEL?

OH NOO-

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oki shi~

Ghigi-

HE GUARDED IT.

SENSEI GUARDED IT!

I TRY TO BREAK THROUGH HIS DEFENSE, BUT IT'S TIGHT...

I REALLY WANT TO SEND THIS CARD BACK TO HIM...

BUT COULD IT BE A SECOND LUCK OF THE DRAW TODAY?!

AH, THE FEED'S BACK

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT,

EH?

Again?

Wait—

LUCK ...?!

DID SHE SAY LUCK?!

BECAUSE I'VE BEEN SENDING YOU NOTHING BUT THE CARDS YOU'RE NOT AS GOOD WITH.

YOU KNOW WHY YOU CAN'T?

BECAUSE KARUTA IS SIMPLE.

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'SHINO',
'KOI',
'NANI SHI',
'NANIWAE',
'NANIWAGATA'.

5 CARDS HAVEN'T BEEN READ YET.

.....

THE TWO STILL LEFT ON THE PLAYING FIELD ARE:

'NANIWAE'.

'NANI SHI'

...AND...

.....

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Poem. 131

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CAMERA, BACK TO THE MATCH.

HAVE ANOTHER CAMERA FOCUS ON THE READER.

FRONT SHOT.

YEAH, LIKE THIS.

NICO DOUGA MOBILE BROADCAST ING UNIT

ZOOM IN ON THE PLAYERS.

FIRST ON THE MEIJIN THEN ON THE CHALLENGER.

.....

I...

...DON'T REALLY KNOW A LOT ABOUT KARUTA.

BUT I CAN TELL

THIS MOMENT IS...

...VERY IMPORTANT AND CRUTIAL FOR THEM, RIGHT?

LUCK OF THE DRAW...

NO SECOND CHANCES FOR THE MEIJIN, ON THE OTHER HAND.

AND EVEN IF HE LOSES, HE WILL STILL HAVE THE FIFTH MATCH LEFT!

HE'S ONE CARD AWAY FROM WINNING 3 MATCHES!

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE ABOUT TO WITNESS THE MPROBABLE CHECKMATE BY HARADA-SAN!

Staff waiting room

HOLD YOUR HORSES. IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT,

THAT STRANGE MEIJIN IS REALLY HARD TO DEAL WITH.

AH, WHAT A RELIEF!

WILL WE SEE SHOU-KUN'S DOWNFALL AT LAST?

NOW, THINK CARE-FULLY.

Fuh !!

THE CARDS YET TO BE READ ARE

'SHINO', 'KOI', 'NANIWAGA', 'NANIWAE', 'NANI SHI'.

I WON'T LET ANYONE ELSE HAVE IT!

NOW THAT I'VE GOT MY HANDS ON THIS,

HARADA AS THE MEIJIN

WILL BE NO EASIER TO DEAL WITH, I BET...

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MY GUT FEELING INSISTS 'NANIWAGA' I SENT TO SHOU-KUN...

...WILL NOT BE READ.

WHAT ARE THE CHANCES OF THE SAME OUTCOME REPEATING ...?

...IS THE SAME CARD I HAD IN THE PREVIOUS LUCK OF THE DRAW,

No ni shi owa-ba

WINNING THE FIRST MATCH BY TAKING IT.

BUT, THE CARD I HAVE LEFT, 'NA NI SHI' ...

AND I'M NOT AT ALL SURE THAT MY HAVING A STRONGER URGE FOR THE MEIJIN TITLE...

THIS CARD IS SAID TO BE THE 'MEIJIN' CARD BECAUSE OF ITS VERSES STARTING WITH THE KANJI FOR 'MEI' AND 'JIN'...

...CAN GUARANTEE THAT THIS CARD WILL BE READ...

...WILL KNOW IF IT'S THE 'NA NI SHI' CARD BEING READ OR NOT ON THE 'NA NI' SYLLABLES ALREADY...

'NANIWAE' AND 'NANIWAGATA' ASIDE, MEIJIN SUOU...

MORE-OVER...

...AND MAY COME TO TRY AND TAKE IT FROM ME.

EXCUSE ME

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Huff いや

THESE EXCERCISES..

HARADA-SENSEI ALWAYS DOES THEM...

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I HAVE ALL KINDS OF EXPERIENCE.

はぁ Gulp ごくん

NO MATTER WHAT YOUR GUT FEELING MAY BE TELLING YOU,

IN LUCK OF THE DRAW, IT ISN'T AT ALL SURPRISING FOR EITHER CARD TO GET READ FIRST.

FOR HECK'S SAKE, HE HAS NO EQUALS WHEN IT COMES TO DISREGARDING RULES' SO EMBARRASSING

KARUTA IS ABOUT ALL KINDS OF OUT-COMES.

I TAKE ALL KINDS OF FACTORS INTO CONSIDERATION.

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I BEG YOUR PARDON.

LET'S JUST ACCEPT WHATEVER HAPPENS NEXT, AND...

FUH

WELL THEN,

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...HAVE FUN WHILE WE'RE AT IT, SUOU-KUN.

Shino-
bure-
d/o~

HE DIDN'T MOVE ALRIGHT..

BUT WHY DO I SENSE...

...THIS ATTACKING INTENT FROM HIM...?

THE MEIJIN

DEAD CARD

DIDN'T EVEN BUDGE

SOME VACANT SPACE OPENED UP OVER THERE.

TAICHI.

LET'S MOVE CLOSER.

TAICHI.

TAKING HIS STAMINA ISSUE INTO ACCOUNT, HAVING TO PLAY A 5TH MATCH WON'T BE EASY ON HIM.

BUT IS IT, REALLY?

HARADA HAS 2 WINS WHICH'S SUPPOSED TO BE AN ADVANTAGE..

IF HE FAILS TO PULL THROUGH RIGHT NOW, HE CAN KISS THE MEIJIN TITLE GOOD-BYE.

THE ONE BEING CORNERED HERE IS ACTUALLY HARADA...

Kobuo

chou~

THE MEIJIN DIDN'T MOVE AT ALL.

AGAIN...

THAT CALM AND UNHURRIED IN THIS SITUATION?

THAT MUCH CONFIDENCE / IN HIS

HIS FEELINGS

...ARE FOCUSED ON THIS CARD...

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SO I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE

OBSESSED WITH THE "MEIJIN" HUH...

BUT IT STILL SHOULD BE ME.

ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE HELP CAN GET STRONGER.

I SHOULD BE THE WORTHIER ONE.

小倉百人一首かるた
名人位・クイーン位決定戦
第□回 名人戦
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ni-

ga-
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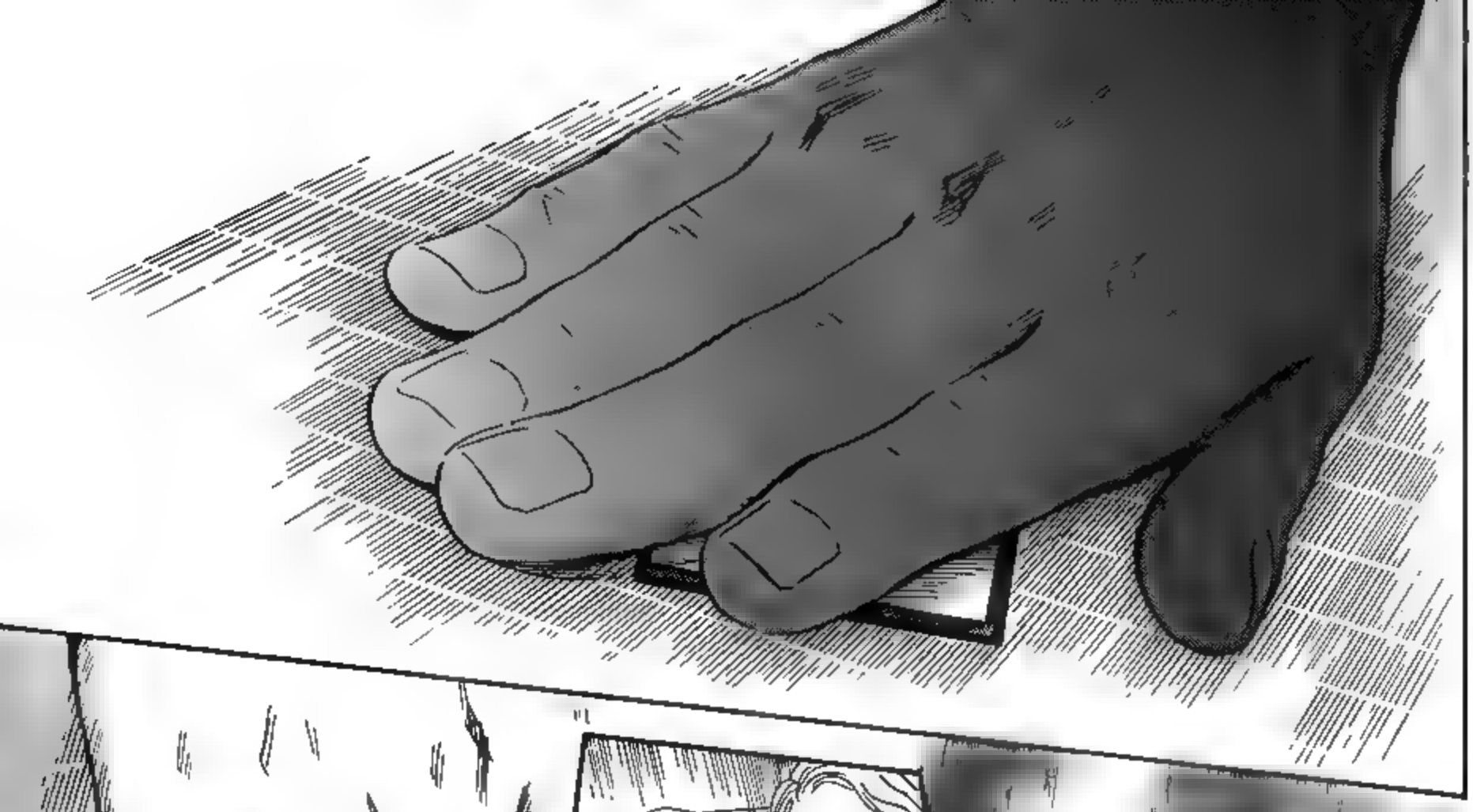

A FAULT
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第□期名人戦

...REIGNING MEIJIN SUOU.

WITH 1 CARD DIFFERENCE, THE WINNER OF THE FOURTH MATCH OF

THE MEIJIN TITLE MATCH SERIES IS...

SUOU-SAN...

COULD IT BE... THAT EVEN IN THAT SITUATION, AT THAT MOMENT...

.....

UNBELIE-VABLE FAULT AT THE END...

WHOA ~~

SO CLOSE ...!

IT WAS SUPER CLOSE FOR HARADA-SAN!

...HE STILL PLAYED HIS KARUTA, DESIGNED TO MAKE HIS OPPONENT COMMIT FAULTS,
LURING AND THEN CATCHING HARADA-SENSEI INTO HIS TRAP...

THE NANIWAE POEM

難波江の
葦のかり寝の
ひと夜ゆゑ
身を尽くしてや
恋わたるべき

皇嘉門院別當

100TH CARD.

THE NA NI SHI POEM

三條右大臣

名にしおはば
逢坂山の
さねかづら
人に知られで
くるよしもがな

99TH CARD.

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カタン

BUT YOU HAVE GOT TO GIVE IT TO THE MEIJIN AS WELL FOR HAVING TURNED THE TIDES IN THIS GAME: HAD HE TRIED TO DEFEND HIS CARD AS THE CONVENTIONAL THEORY DICTATES,

HE WOULD HAVE DEFINITELY LOST TO THE ODDS.

IT CERTAINLY IS IMPRESSIVE HOW HARADA-SAN HAD CORRECTLY PREDICTED THAT 'NA NI SHI' WOULD BE DRAWN FIRST.

THIS IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A WIN AND A LOSS IN A FIGHT.

THE FIFTH MATCH WILL BE STARTING IN 20 MINUTES.

SH-SHINOBU!

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IN JUST 20 MINUTES ...

I WONDER IF HARADA-SENSEI'S KNEES ARE GOING TO BE OK THOUGH...

I NEED TO GO GET SOME FRESH AIR.

SORRY, I NEED ...

THE FIFTH MATCH —

.....

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE MEIJIN MATCH?

JUST SMOOTH-TALK THEM AS USUAL, AND THAT'LL DO.

WHO KNOWS

AH...

YOU HAVE THE INTERVIEW ABOUT DEFENDING YOUR QUEEN TITLE.

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING? YOU STILL DIDN'T EVEN TAKE OFF THAT TASUKI.

IN ANY CASE, YOU YOURSELF ARE HARDLY INTERESTED, AREN'T YOU

IT'S ALL THE SAME TO ME, IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH US SO I DON'T CARE EITHER WAY.

HOW COULD YOU WATCH IT AND NOT KNOW, MOTHER?

IF THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE A FIFTH MATCH, THEN IT'S THE MEIJIN WHO'S WON THIS ONE.

NEXT TIME, WE'LL PREPARE A DECENT ONE BEFORE-HAND.

.....

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BUT HONEST-LY,

WHAT AN UGLY TASUKI!

WHY...

WHY AREN'T I A BOY?

I...

I WANT TO BEAT HIM...

TO BRING HIM DOWN FOR GOOD.

...BEING THE MEIJIN.

I CAN'T FORGIVE A PERSON LIKE THAT...

ERM, WELL THEN!

LET'S TALK WITH WAKAMIYA-SAN, WHO HAS SUCCESSFULLY PROTECTED HER TITLE, ABOUT HER IMPRESSIONS FROM THIS YEAR'S QUEEN TITLE MATCHES.

...IN MY BELOVED KARUTA WORLD.

IT'S UNTHINKABLE FOR THE LIKES OF HIM TO BE THE STRONGEST...

INOKUMA HARUKA-SAN'S STRENGTH WAS SUCH

THAT IT LEFT ME THANKING THE GODS FOR GRANTING ME THE CHANCE TO PLAY AGAINST HER.

I BET SHE'LL JUST SAY SOMETHING APPROPRIATE AND INSINCERE AGAIN.

I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN HOW SHE WAS WHEN SHE FOUGHT YUMIN.

Gah

Great

FIRST, CONGRATU-LATIONS.

THANK YOU.

YOU HAVE LOST ONE OF THE GAMES FOR THE FIRST TIME...

YES, I INDEED HAVE.

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THE DEFEAT I SUFFERED WAS PAINFUL, BUT...

YES, AND YOU YOURSELF SAID THAT SAME LINE LAST YEAR, WAKAMIYA-SAN.

PHRASES LIKE, "IT WAS ONLY POSSIBLE FOR ME TO WIN BECAUSE OF THE SUPPORT OF THOSE I HAVE BY MY SIDE".

EH?

ANNOUNCER-SAN, WE HEAR IT REPEATED OFTEN, DON'T WE...

BUT THIS YEAR ...

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EHH ?!

I DID, BUT IT WAS NOTHING MORE THAN JUST WORDS APPROPRIATE FOR THE OCCASION BACK THEN

THOSE WORDS GAINED SOME MEANING BEHIND THEM,

SO I CAN HONESTLY SAY THAT IT WAS SUPPORT OF THOSE BY MY SIDE THAT HELPED ME WIN.

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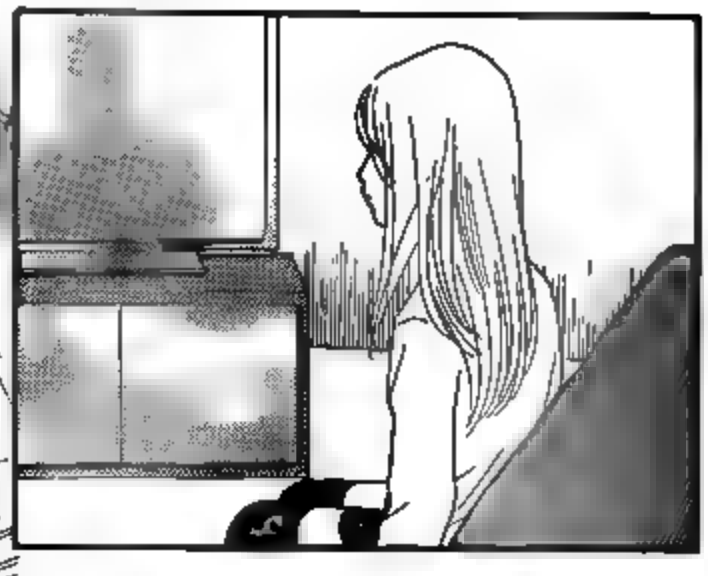
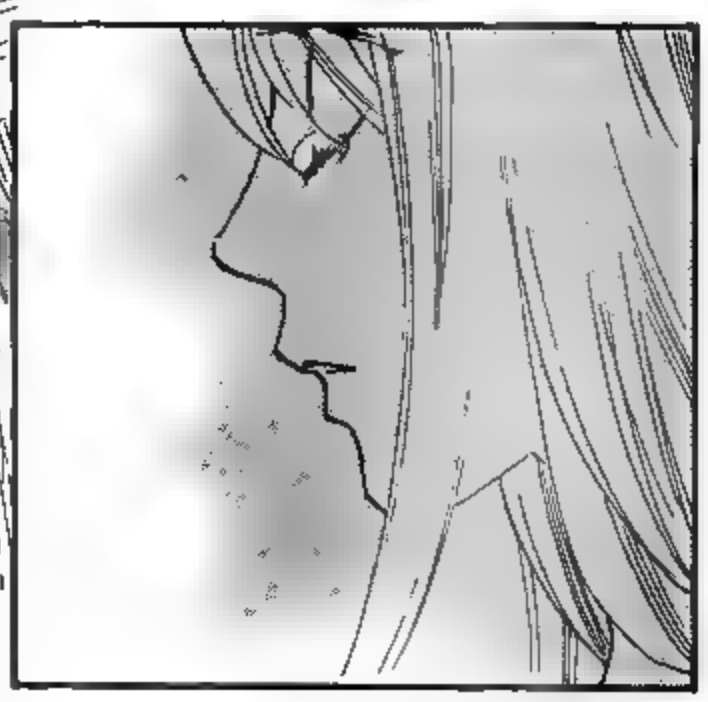
THE NEXT YEAR'S QUEEN TITLE MATCHES.
I'M NOW LOOKING FORWARD TO





LET'S PLAY KARUTA TOGETHER AGAIN SOMETIME!
WHEN?
IN THE MATCH WITH THE QUEEN TITLE AT STAKE!

THERE IS ONE MORE "STRONGEST" PERSON

IN MY BELOVED KARUTA WORLD,

AND IT'S HER THE ONE I NEED TO FIGHT.

THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT.

AND IT SHOULD BE ENOUGH.

AS TO THE MEIJIN ...

CHIHA-YA!

Gho

Gho

Gho

IT'S OK TO LEAVE THE MEIJIN TO...

TRUE LOVE #13

Bee Love
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ビーラブに
元気はじける
夏がくる!!

最新12巻発売中!
ナノキ・の信念が走り出す!!
生徒諸君!
―最終章・旅立ち―

最新24巻まで発売中
ちはやふる
ちはやふるweek
inあわら 絶賛開催中♥

「こちらネバギバ不動産」
宇野シニア

最新8巻
大好評発売中!
大人気法医学ミステリ
屍活師
女上の法医学

ついに最終回!
ケモノみち

明治緋色綺譚
リファレ

おはやふる

末次由紀

Dawn 132

名人戦最終盤は、
坂の上の地で出会いくりぬいた
千早と新と
は―

AH...!

ARATA!

WHAT ABOUT YOUR COLD?!

STILL HAVE IT!

Gho Ghon Gheh Kho

!!

Y-YOU OK?

SHOULDN'T YOU BE RESTING ...?

CHIHAYA, I CAME TO HEAR YOUR ANSWER

TO MY WORDS FROM LAST TIME WE MET.

I CAN'T GIVE YOU AN ANSWER YET...

I'M NOT READY TO YET, ARATA...

ARATA, YOU BASTARD! DON'T TRY TO PULL SOMETHING BEHIND MY BACK!

THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
WHERE'S HARADA-SENSEI?
SLEEPING IN HIS WAITING ROOM.
LET'S GO SEE HIM?!
WAITING ROOM OF MEIJIN SUOU HISASHI
.....
DISAPPOINTMENT...
*STOMP*STOMP*STOMP*

EH?

ANYONE MADE A SUNNED MAID BAKE?

UM..

AH!

YES, I DO.

Phew!

CLK CLK

HE FINALLY STOPPED EATING!

MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH

?

... SNEAKING

GHO GHA

IT'S BEC--

GHO GHA

I'LL BE WATCH-ING ON THE FIRST FLOOR.

.....

LOOKS LIKE THEY HAVE QUITE A FEW SPARE TICKETS TO THE URAYASU AUDITORIUM.

NO, I'LL BE WATCHING ON THE FIRST FLOOR.

WHY?! AFTER YOU WENT THROUGH PAINS TO COME ALL THE WAY HERE!

AOAM

WHAT DO YOU GUYS THINK WILL BECOME OF THE FIFTH MATCH...?

HIS KNEES...

IT DEPENDS ON HARADA-SENSEI'S STAMINA...

IF THE MEIJIN IS GENEROUS ENOUGH TO GO EASY ON HIM LIKE HE DID IN THE FIRST TWO MATCHES, THEN MAYBE...

PLEASE PROCEED TO THE GAME HALL!

PARTICI-PANTS!

THE MEIJIN
TITLE MATCH
SERIES

GAMES

THE FINAL
GAME OF
THE SERIES

I'M JEALOUS

Hm hm

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, YOU'RE STILL ONLY 26

YOU LOOK SO YOUNG, HUH

EVEN THE SPECTATORS COULD NOT HELP FEELING PROGRESSIVELY HEAVY HEARTED AND PAINFUL AS THE CARDS KEPT FLYING.

DURING THE FIVE MATCHES THAT STARTED AT 10 IN THE MORNING AND SPANNED FOR 10 HOURS.

BUT HARADA SENSEI DID NOT GIVE UP.

A POLITE PERSON SPELLS TROUBLE...

BUT...

RUDENESS MEANS HE HAS HIS GUARD DOWN.

A GUY WHO'S RUDE ISN'T SCARY AT ALL.

I DON'T LIKE THIS ONE BIT

YOU KNOW, THIS

HE ALSO SUDDENLY LACKS THE BEARD NOW

THE AIR ABOUT MEIJIN SUOU HAS CHANGED DRASTICLY.

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Comment below for the 5th match

YOU CAN SEE HIS ATTITUDE FOR YOURSELF.

RESPECT IS TO BE FEARED

SUOU-KUN ISN'T GOING TO LET HIS GUARD DOWN AGAINST HARADA ANYMORE.

TURN ALL MEIJIN-LIKE...

LOOKS LIKE HARADA

MADE THE MEIJIN

SO WHAT

I'M NOT DONE YET

UGH..

OHH!

I WILL DRAW AS NEAR AS NO ONE BEFORE

TO THE PERSON YOU REALLY ARE.

IN THE ENDSTAGE OF THE FIFTH MATCH,

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOUR KARUTA?!

I WILL SEE IT FOR MYSELF.

HARADA-SENSEI,

YOU WON--

HARADA-SENSEI,

I...

.....

WHAT KIND OF PERSON ARE YOU?

WHAT YOU CAN DO.

AND WHAT YOU CAN'T?!

SUOU-SAN SAID TO ME HURT AND BOTHERED ME,

AND I WENT AND TATTLED ABOUT HIS EYES TO SENSEI,

TOWARS SUOU-SAN REGARDLES OF EVERY-

MUFU-SOME NO-

AT THIS POINT, HE SHOWS IMPRESSIVE PERSEVERANCE.

Phew

WHEN YOU ACCUMULATE FATIGUE, THAT HEARING OF YOURS CEASES TO BE QUITE SO PERFECT.

YOU WANTED TO GO FOR THE 'URA' CARD JUST NOW, DIDN'T YOU?

THINK I DIDN'T NOTICE?

.....

...I WAS YOUNG AS WELL.

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IF ONLY...

HARADA-SENSEI...

...IS FIGHTING HEAD ON, ACCEPTING EVERYTHING.

WELL, NOTHING CAN BE DONE ABOUT IT.

FOR SOME OF THE YOUNG PLAYERS

I'M SURE

THANK YOU FOR THE GAME.

TODAY'S MATCHES

WILL BE USEFUL.

...MEIJIN SUOU.

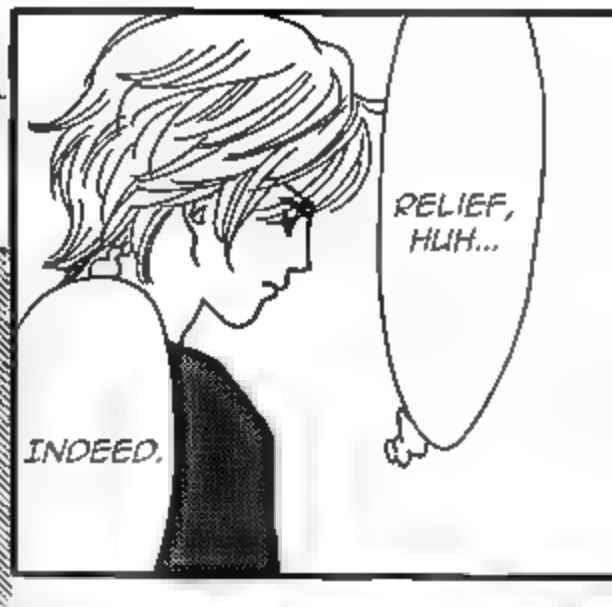
THE WINNER OF THE FIFTH MATCH IS

WITH 12 GOOD OFFENCE

WITH THE RECORD OF 3 WINS AND 2 LOSES.

MEIJIN SUOU HAS SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED HIS TITLE.

#7
THAT'S A RELIEF IN ITSELF.
YEAH, BUT WELL, HE'LL BE RETIRING AFTER THIS, RIGHT?
#7
関係者席
#7
I WAS EXCITED FOR NOTHING.
SO IN THE END, SHOU-KUN IS STILL THE MEIJIN, HUH...



IF HE WENT OUT AS A LEGEND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

AND NOT ONCE HAVE I WISHED FOR IT.

I HAVE NO NEED FOR SUCH A THING.

I GOTTA APOLOGIZE TO YOU...

...FOR FAILING TO GET THE MEIJIN TITLE.

YOU DID GREAT.

YEAH, WELL, UM...

I'M REALLY TIRED THOUGH.

THAT'S ALL I EVER WISHED FOR.

I JUST WANTED TO SEE YOU SMILE.

HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT IT?

I FEEL EXHAU-STED.

AND YOU HAD TO PLAY ALL 5 MATCHES OF THE SERIES FOR THE FIRST TIME.

THIS YEAR, YOUR WINNING STREAK WAS STOPPED,

FIRST, CONGRATULATIONS ON TAKING YOUR FIFTH TITLE IN A ROW.

THANK YOU.

WELL THEN, WE WILL NOW HAVE A LITTLE INTERVIEW WITH TH MEIJIN.

WHAT ARE YOUR IMPRESSIONS FROM PLAYING AGAINST HARADA-SAN?

IT WAS FUN.

BOW

UM...

COULD YOU MAYBE PLEASE ELABORATE ...?

.....

IT WAS EXHAU-STING.

!

KARUTA...

...WAS FUN.

DO YOU STILL WANT TO GO THROUGH WITH THAT? HAVE YOU NOT HAD A CHANGE OF HEART?

MEIJIN,

YOU STATED YOU WOULD RETIRE AFTER TAKING YOUR FIFTH CONSECUTIVE TITLE.

I HAD FUN.

回名人戦

MEIJIN!

NOW I WILL

INDEED

RETIRE.

"MAKE SOMETHING OF YOURSELF."

...NO.

EH?

!?

Ngho Gha Nghe

MEIJIN!

GHO

ME—

YOU...

WAI--

BUT MEIJIN ...!

MEIJIN ...!

AND WE'RE ON AIR, YOU KNOW ...!

YOU'RE INTER-RUPTING THE INTER-VIEW!

NO, WAIT ...!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, WATAYA-KUN?!

COME WITH ME!

PLEASE DON'T RETIRE, SUOU-SAN!

WATAYA-KUN!!!

SUOU-SAN!

TO DEFEAT YOU, I PROMISE!
I WILL COME HERE
PLEASE DON'T RETIRE!
PLEASE STAY THE MEIJIN!

第5回 クイーン位

名人位・クイーン位決定戦

ON THE SCREEN.

HA HA HA !!!

HA

'CLIP'CLIP'CLIP'CLIP'

'CLIP'CLIP'CLIP'CLIP'

CLIP CLIP CLIP

CLIP CLIP CLIP

PHEW.

IT'S FINALLY OVER.

THANK YOU, SAKURA-ZAWA-SAN.

FOR EVERY-THING.

I DIDN'T DO ANY-THING.

THE CHILD I'M WITH

IS A GIRL, AFTER ALL.

I ASKED IT, YOU KNOW.

I DON'T MIND IF YOU TURN OUT A BOY,

BUT PLEASE LET ME WIN.

.....

DON'T LOOK AT ME WITH THOSE EYES.

THE RESOLVE TO BECOME THE MOTHER OF 3 BOYS IS NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT, YOU KNOW.

BUT IN THE END I STILL LOST.

THIS IS WHERE MY QUEST FOR THE CROWN ENDS.

OH!

OH!

INOKUMA-SAN, SO I CAN CONGRA-TULATE YOU?!

YOUR THIRD ONE? AMAZING!

IS YOUR HEALTH FINE?

YOU WERE SO RECKLESS! BUT I SUPPOSE YOU ARE EQUALLY TOUGH!

Y-YES! I'M HOLDING UP FINE! SOME-HOW...

THEN YOU WILL BE ON MATERNITY AND CHILDCARE LEAVE AGAIN FOR WHILE?

I SEE! I SEE!

I-

I'M NOT SURE I WILL BE ABLE TO RETURN THIS TIME THOUGH...

AT MY AGE YOU START THINKING

THAT PUTTING ROAD-BLOCKS IN THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S WAY

.....

YOU KNOW, I HAD THIS THOUGHT WHEN THE QUEEN LOST IN THE SECOND MATCH.

IS VERY MUCH LIKE SOWING SEEDS.

YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE.

AND FROM MY PERSPEC-TIVE,

YOU WILL RETURN.

京都駅
010 STATION
新幹線のりば(中央口)
Shinkansen Tracks (Central Entrance)
WHAT ABOUT SOUVENIRS?!
NO, WAIT! WHAT ABOUT BENTO?!
YOU CAN BUY ALL THAT ON THE TRAIN.
IF WE DON'T CATCH THE NEXT TRAIN, WE'LL BE VERY LATE TO RETURN!
HURRY UP, HURRY UP, HURRY UP!
EVEN THOUGH AT THE STATION HE WAS WITH US.
I DON'T SEE TAICHI ANYWHERE ...?
HUH ...?
I FEEL DRAINED JUST FROM WATCHING ALL THOSE MATCHES!
THIS WAS ONE INTENSE DAY, IF I DO SAY SO MYSELF!
FIRST HARADA-SENSEI ALMOST LANDED THE TITLE, AND THEN THE MEIJIN RECONSIDERED HIS RETIREMENT! WE SURE HAD AN EVENTFUL DAY, EH!
UM, ACTUALLY ...
YUP, SO LAME.
HOW LAME.
HE TOLD ME SOMETHING EARLIER...
DID HE FAIL TO BOARD IN TIME?!

A HEAD START ON ME,

HE'S GOING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TAKAMATSU NOMIYA CUP TOMORROW. SO HE'S STAYING.

GETTING

TAICHI~~ ~~~~~?!

日頃のご愛読に大感謝!
応募者全員
プレゼント企画!!
今号のP.5についている応募券と、
新刊25巻についている応募券2枚を送って、
末次由紀先生直筆メッセージ入り
暑中見舞いをもらっちゃおう!!
詳しくはP.5の応募の決まりをご覧ください
ちはやふる 25 末次由紀
7月11日 金 発売

ちはやふる

由紀

HE STAYED BACK ALONE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TAKAMATSU-NOMIYA CUP.

TAICHI GETTING

A HEAD START ON ME AGAIN~~ ~~~~~?!

GRE
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WHY--?! WHY TAICHI DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING?! WHY HE WENT OFF ALONE?! WHY?! WHY?!

scrooch

CH-

CHIHAYA-CHAN?

I- IT'S...

IT'S BE-CAUSE

TAICHI

JUST CAN'T SAY. CAN HE

I CAME TO PRACTICE.

GETTING A HEAD START ON ME.

TAICHI!!!

WHY?! PRAC TICE?!

PRESIDENT CANNOT SAY.

THAT IS RIGHT.

BUT SINCE THAT REALIZATION MAY PREVENT YOU

FROM THINKING ABOUT HIS REASONS ANY FURTHER,

I WANT TO ASK YOU TO KEEP THINKING AND KEEP WONDERING ABOUT THEM, CHIHAYA-CHAN.

WHY HE DID WHAT HE DID, WHY...

PLEASE KEEP ASKING YOURSELF THAT.

BE LOVE

ARE YOU MASHIMA-SAMA?

WE HAVE BEEN EXPECTING YOU

OPEN

RUSTLE RUSTLE

HMM?

A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WAKAMIYA SHINOBU HAS SPLENDIDLY DEFENDED HER POSITION AS THE QUEEN,

MAKING IT HER THIRD CONSE-QUITIVE TITLE.

IN THE SERIES OF MATCHES FOR THE KARUTA MEIJIN AND QUEEN TITLES HELD TODAY,

THE STORMY WEATHER IS EXPECTED TO SETTLE IN NATION-WIDE STARTING TOMORROW--

HOW DO I FIGHT?

QUEEN TITLE MATCHES.

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT YEAR'S

HOW SHOULD I FIGHT?

TO DEFEAT YOU, I PROMISE!

I WILL COME HERE

I DON'T EVEN BEEN THINKING ABOUT THE NEXT YEAR.

AND IT SHOULDN'T BEEN ME TO SAY THOSE WORDS TO THE MEIJIN.

EVEN THOUGH KASHIWA-BENSEI IS MY MENTOR.

IF I GET MATCHED UP AGAINST ARATA,

I'M NOT SURE I WILL BE ABLE TO KEEP MY CALM

.....

FUH——...

AGAINST
ARATA...

HOW DO
I FIGHT...

AND
AGAINST
YOUR

NEW YEAR KARUTA TOURNAMENT FOR CLASS A, B, C

FOR CLASS D THE TOURNAMENT IS HELD AT THE BUNKYO WARD SPORTS CENTER

JANUARY 11

TOKYO METROPOLIS

OOTSUKA KARUTA HALL

ANOTHER OVERLY SERIOUS ONE...

Wastes money on participation fees → A rich guy

SO HE WANTED TO BE able TO PLAY IN WHICHEVER, HUH? NIFTY GUY, AIN'T HE...

He properly cancelled though

WHOA!

HE'S WAY MORE SERIOUS ABOUT KARUTA THAN I GAVE HIM CREDIT FOR.

MASHIMA'S NAME ON THE ENTRY LIST OF THIS TOURNAMENT AS WELL.

I'M IN A KIMONO PRECISELY BECAUSE IT'S THE NEW YEAR!

YUP, TOTALLY SERIOUS.

KANA-CHAN IS ALSO DEAD SERIOUS!

IT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING OF THE NEW YEAR, BUT SHE'S ALREADY IN A KIMONO!

AH...

WE WILL BE IN OUR LAST YEAR...

THIS YEAR, WE WILL BECOME THIRD YEARS.

ME, TOO.

AH, I KNOW THE FEELING.

AND THE NEW YEAR BEGAN ONLY WITH THE NEW YEAR TOURNAMENT.

THE TIME TILL THE ME JIN AND QUEEN TITLE MATCHES STILL FELT LIKE THE OLD YEAR,

YOU KNOW, TO ME,

.....

WE MUST NOT WASTE IT.

EVERYTHING WILL GO TO WASTE.

IF WE ARE NOT SERIOUS EVERY SECOND, EVERY MATCH,

FUFUFU FUFUFU.

TODAY I WILL SNATCH ME A VICTORY AND MOVE UP TO CLASS B!!!

You can do it, bro!

came to cheer

TO MAKE THE SEAT OF THE NEW KARUTA CLUB PRESIDENT MINE WITHOUT FAIL,

THE NEW CLUB PRESI-DENT?!

EVEN YOU'RE IN A KIMONO, TSUKUBA?!

came to cheer

OOE-SENPAI IS RIGHT!!!

HUH?!

YOU'RE JUST A CLASS D, HANANO, SO YOU CAN'T EVEN HOPE TO COMPETE WITH ME.

THAT'S RIGHT...

.....

THE NEW CLUB PRESI-DENT...

FALLING APART AND GOING SEPARATE WAYS...

...LIKE TODAY...

...STAY THE SAME FOREVER.

THINGS CAN'T...

THEY ALWAYS CHANGE...

WHY?

WHY! TAICHI?

WHY?

TAICHI..

WHY?

...IS FIGHTING HIS OWN BATTLES.

WHY? WHY?

I WILL HAVE TO GET BY

WITHOUT AN ANSWER

...AS I FIGHT...

...MY OWN BATTLES.

CLASS A PARTICIPANTS'

PLEASE GATHER, WE ARE ABOUT TO DETERMINE THE MATCHUPS!

I WILL FIGHT MY OWN BATTLES!!!

CLASS B PARTICIPANTS!

PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEATS ACCORDING TO YOUR NUMBERS!

IT'S BEEN SO LONG- FULLY LONG SINCE I'VE LAST SEEN HIM

HYORO-KUN?!

LEARING CENTER

TAKAMATSU-NOMIYA CUP

SAME DAY

PREFECTURE SHIGA

OUMI JUNGUL

ETERNAL MEIJIN WATAYA'S GRAND-SON..

WELL, HE'S, YOU KNOW,

SOME BOLD THINGS HE SAID, DIDN'T HE!

I WATCH-ED IT!

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AHH!

THE ONE FROM YESTERDAY'S BROADCAST ON NICO DOUGA..

IT'S THAT BOY!

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UGH...

I UNDER-STAND...

UNDER-STAND..

I NEVER THOUGHT YOU, OF ALL PEOPLE, COULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT!

WELL, WHAT A SHOCK YOU GAVE ME YESTER-DAY!

UH... UGH...

YOUR ACTIONS MADE IT SO THAT NOW YOU JUST HAVE TO WIN EVERY TOURNAMENT YOU'RE IN, YOU KNOW.

OH! WATAYA-KUN, WATAYA-KUN.

.....

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YOSHI-OKA-SENSEI.

WHEN YOU GAIN THE STRENGTH BY WINNING ALL OF YOUR BATTLES ONE BY ONE,

WELL, I ALSO KNOW THAT YOU'RE STRONG,

AND I BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN GET EVEN STRONGER.

SO DO YOUR BEST.

YOU WILL REACH THE PLACE YOU PROMISED TO REACH.

EH ...?

AH, AND...

I WISH YOU HAD A WORTHY RIVAL: SOMEONE WHO, TO YOU, WOULD BE WHAT SATOU KIYOHIKO, DAN 9, WAS TO YOUR GRAND-FATHER.

IF I WERE TO EXPRESS MY WISHES,

T/N: SATOU KIYOHIKO IS A CHARACTER FROM VOL 2 OF CHIHAYA-FURU MIDDLE SCHOOL NOVEL SERIES

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WHO STAYED HERE.

I'M THE ONLY ONE

WHEN THE THIRD YEARS RETIRED, I, THE WELL-RESPECTED AND POPULAR PERSON, WAS APPOINTED AS THE NEW CLUB PRESIDENT!

YEAH, WHY NOT?

WELL, MAYBE HYORO?

BUT I'M STILL ONLY A CLASS B!

EVEN IF MY ABILITIES ARE CLASS A, ILL LUCK CAUSED ME TO BE STUCK IN CLASS B...!

Fight—

A系次

I HAVE A REASON

WHY I HAVE TO WIN.

AH WELL, THEN IT'S FINE, I GUESS.

Ahaha

.....?

AH, YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND?

FIRST, I TOUCHED IT FROM THERE, YOU SEE?

I SEE, I SEE.

AHH.

埼玉咲良会

AH,

IT WAS MY TAKE JUST NOW, WASN'T IT?

I WAS THE FIRST TO GET TO THE CARD, TOUCHING IT LIKE THIS, AT AN ANGLE...

EH?

NO, BUT...

AHH.

EH? THEN WHICH ONE...?

EH...

DID YOU SAY SOME-THING?

AH... NO...

HNN NNN N...

埼玉咲良会

EH?

AH.

HMPH
LET'S CONTINUE FOR NOW?
AH WELL, WHATEVER.
I'LL JUST GIVE YOU SOME POINTERS LATER.

THEY DESTROY THE R OPPONENT'S PACE BY DRIVING THEM MAD WITH IRRITATION?
MAYBE THEY'RE STRONG PRECISELY BECAUSE OF THOSE ANNOYING SMALL TALKS?
THEY'RE PRETTY STRONG; IF ONLY THEY PLAYED WITHOUT THOSE ANNOYING SMALL TALKS
THOSE TAMARU SIBLINGS ARE IRRITATING AS EVER...
SO ANNOYING!

I'M PROBABLY A DIFFICULT OPPONENT FOR YOU, SORRY FOR THAT.
AH, SORRY, BUT I'LL BE MOVING CARDS HERE A LITTLE.
WHAT AN ODD TYPE OF PLAYER...
I'M GETTING THIS A LOT, PEOPLE SAY IT'S HARD TO PLAY AGAINST ME, YOU SEE.

NO.

IT IS FINE.

BUT HER CORE...

...IS STURDIER

THAN MINE...?

I WATCH-ED...

SO LIGHT...!

...HOW SHINOBU-CHAN FELL TO PIECES...

HOW SHE RECOVERED

I WITNESSED HARADA-SENSEI'S PASSION...

I SAW ARATA'S RESOLVE...

...AND SUOU-SAN'S STRENGTH...

AND TAICHI'S CHALLENGE.

HOW ALL THOSE THINGS COLLIDE AND CHANGE.

I WONDER

IF I CAN START IT, TOO?

AH!

THE TASUKI!

I FORGOT TO PUT IT ON AGAIN!

SENSEI'S TASUKI!

Phew

START A NEW YEAR...

A NEW DAY...

THE ONLY ONE NOT HERE IS PRESIDENT MASHIMA.

EVERY-
THING
IS
ALREADY
ENDING
...

BUT
IT FEELS
MORE
LIKE

BUT
WHY
DO I
HAVE
THIS
FEEL-
ING...?

THE YEAR
HAS JUST
STARTED,

WHOA!
THE NAGUMO
SOCIETY SURE
IS GOING
STRONG!

IN FACT, IT'S
ALMOST DIRTY
HOW STRONG
THEY ARE!

THEY HAVE
4 PEOPLE
IN THE
BEST 8!

WE'RE ABOUT
TO DETERMINE
THE MATCHUPS
FOR THE
FOUTH ROUND!

EXCUSE
ME.

I NEED
TO SEND
MY TROPHY
SOMEWHERE,
SO I THOUGHT
I'D DROP BY
TO PICK IT
UP.

AH,
RIGHT.
GO TO
THE STAFF
ROOM
THEN,
BUT BE
QUIET,

WE'RE
HOLDING THE
TAKAMATSU-
NOMIYA CUP
HERE AT THE
MOMENT.

WHOA!

MEIJIN
SUOU!

ChatterChatter
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南雲会
POSTPONE-MENT
FOR 1 YEAR.
小倉百人一首 かるた
名人位・クイーン位決定戦
AS AN EXTRA.
1 MORE YEAR.
ALRIGHT.

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Shiranami Tokyo
Mashima Taichi
Nagano Fukui
Wakaya Arata

364 DAYS.

1 YEAR.

WHO WILL HAVE...

THE LAST LAUGH?

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